

**MINUTES OF THE
HOUSE LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CRIMINAL JUSTICE
STANDING COMMITTEE**

Thursday, February 16, 2017 • 8:00 a.m. • 30 House Building

Members Present:

Rep. Lee B. Perry, Chair
Rep. Edward H. Redd, Vice Chair
Rep. Rebecca P. Edwards
Rep. Steve Eliason
Rep. Adam Gardiner
Rep. Sandra Hollins
Rep. Kelly B. Miles
Rep. Angela Romero

Rep. Elizabeth Weight
Rep. Mike Winder

Members Absent:

Rep. Eric K. Hutchings
Rep. Paul Ray

Staff Present:

Mr. Gregg A. Girvan, Policy Analyst
Karen C. Allred, Committee Secretary

Note: A list of others present, a copy of related materials, and an audio recording of the meeting can be found at le.utah.gov.

Chair Perry called the meeting to order at 8:09 a.m.

MOTION: Rep. Winder moved to approve the minutes of the February 10 and February 14, 2017 meetings. The motion passed with a vote of 6-0-6.

Yeas:

Rep. Hollins
Rep. Miles
Rep. Perry
Rep. Redd
Rep. Weight
Rep. Winder

Nays:

Absent:

Rep. Edwards
Rep. Eliason
Rep. Gardiner
Rep. Hutchings
Rep. Ray
Rep. Romero

1. H.B. 123 Juvenile Offenses Amendments (*Roberts, M.*)

Rep. Marc K. Roberts presented the bill with the assistance of Ms. Jennifer Valencia, Director, Utah Sentencing Commission.

Ms. Pam Vickery, Executive Director, Utah Juvenile Defender Attorneys, Chair, Utah Board of Juvenile Justice, and Vice Chair, Sentencing Commission, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Will Carlson, Statewide Association of Prosecutors, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Matt Davies, Child Psychologist, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Deondra Brown, President, Foundation for Survivors of Abuse, spoke in opposition to the bill.

Mr. Ron Gordon, Executive Director, Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, spoke in favor of the bill.

Mr. Spencer Walsh, Chief Prosecutor, Cache County Attorney's Office, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Redd moved to hold H.B. 123.

SUBSTITUTE MOTION: Rep. Miles moved to replace H.B. 123 with 1st Substitute H.B. 123. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. Edwards
Rep. Eliason
Rep. Gardiner
Rep. Hollins
Rep. Miles
Rep. Perry
Rep. Redd
Rep. Romero
Rep. Weight
Rep. Winder

Nays:

Absent:

Rep. Hutchings
Rep. Ray

MOTION: Rep. Redd moved to hold 1st Substitute H.B. 123. The motion passed with a vote of 7-3-2.

Yeas:

Rep. Edwards
Rep. Eliason
Rep. Hollins
Rep. Miles
Rep. Redd
Rep. Romero
Rep. Weight

Nays:

Rep. Gardiner
Rep. Perry
Rep. Winder

Absent:

Rep. Hutchings
Rep. Ray

2. H.B. 173 Parental Kidnapping Amendments (*Potter, V.*)

Rep. Val K. Potter presented the bill with the assistance of Ms. Terryl Warner, Cache County Attorney's Office and Mr. Spencer Walsh, Cache County Attorney's Office.

Mr. Will Carlson, Statewide Association of Prosecutors, spoke in opposition to the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Winder moved to replace H.B. 173 with 1st Substitute H.B. 173. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-3.

Yeas:

Rep. Edwards
Rep. Gardiner
Rep. Hollins
Rep. Miles
Rep. Perry
Rep. Redd
Rep. Romero
Rep. Weight
Rep. Winder

Nays:

Absent:

Rep. Eliason
Rep. Hutchings
Rep. Ray

MOTION: Rep. Winder moved to pass 1st Substitute H.B. 173 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 9-0-3.

Yeas:

Rep. Edwards
Rep. Gardiner
Rep. Hollins
Rep. Miles
Rep. Perry
Rep. Redd
Rep. Romero
Rep. Weight
Rep. Winder

Nays:

Absent:

Rep. Eliason
Rep. Hutchings
Rep. Ray

3. H.B. 17 Offenses Against the Person Amendments (*Snow, V. L.*)

Rep. V. Lowry Snow presented the bill with the assistance of Mr. Will Carlson, Statewide Association of Prosecutors.

Ms. Suzanne Harrison, medical doctor, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Donna Kelly, Deputy District Attorney, Salt Lake County, spoke in favor of the bill.

Ms. Jennifer Gardner, resident, spoke in favor of the bill.

MOTION: Rep. Redd moved to pass H.B. 17 out favorably. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. Edwards
Rep. Eliason
Rep. Gardiner
Rep. Hollins
Rep. Miles
Rep. Perry
Rep. Redd
Rep. Romero
Rep. Weight
Rep. Winder

Nays:

Absent:

Rep. Hutchings
Rep. Ray

MOTION: Rep. Miles moved to adjourn. The motion passed with a vote of 10-0-2.

Yeas:

Rep. Edwards
Rep. Eliason
Rep. Gardiner
Rep. Hollins
Rep. Miles
Rep. Perry
Rep. Redd
Rep. Romero
Rep. Weight
Rep. Winder

Nays:

Absent:

Rep. Hutchings
Rep. Ray

Chair Perry adjourned the meeting at 9:49 a.m.

Rep. Lee B. Perry, Chair